GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEFENCE DEALS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES .
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have finalised defence deals with Israel, U.S.A., France and Russia during the last three months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of foreign exchange to be paid by the Government of India for these deals; and

(d) the time by which the equipment are likely to arrive in India and the extent to which these equipments are likely to strengthen defence requirements?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir, Procurement contracts for equipment and spares have been finalised by the Government in the last three months with companies from Israel, France and Russia.

(b) to (d): The procurement of defence equipment and spares is an ongoing process. It will not be in the interest of national security to disclose specific details of acquisitions for the Armed Forces.